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Dear Sir:

The present communication is filed concurrently with a *Request for Continued Examination* and responds to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2002 (Paper No. 13) regarding the above-identified application. Also included is an amended declaration of the inventor. Please make the following amendments to the claims and review the remarks as follows.

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